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Sir:

INVENTOR'S DECLARATION FOR DEBRA MOORE-SMITH

An Inventor's Declaration for Debra Moore-Smith is being filed herewith.

Applicants previously filed a declaration by inventor's Barton Gaskins, Louis Ford, Robert O'Leary, Anne Wilson and Lloyd Wolfinbarger, Jr. on August 17, 2004 in the application captioned above. Another inventor named in that declaration, Debra Moore-Smith, could not be located at the time it was prepared and filed. A Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a) was filed simultaneous with the declaration requesting the Patent and Trademark Office accept the application without her signature.

Ms. Moore-Smith has now been located, and has signed an Inventor's Declaration in regard to this application. The declaration is being submitted herewith. Applicants respectfully request that Ms. Moore-Smith's declaration be entered into the file.

If there are any questions regarding this filing or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated to efficiently advance the prosecution of this application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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